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NEWS RELEASE

United States Attorney Patrick L. Meehan and Philadelphia District Attorney Lynne Abraham today announced the filing of a four-count indictment¹ charging VINCENT CARTER, with possession with intent to distribute cocaine base (“crack”) and marijuana, possession of a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime, and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. The indictment alleges that on September 2, 2007, CARTER possessed cocaine base (“crack”) and marijuana with the intent to distribute, and possessed a loaded Keltec 9mm handgun in furtherance of that drug distribution. In addition, CARTER is a convicted felon who is prohibited from possessing a firearm.

This indictment is part of Project Safe Neighborhoods, an initiative by the United States Attorney’s Office, all District Attorney’s Offices in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Philadelphia Police Department and other law enforcement agencies, to identify and prosecute firearms offenders in federal court, where the defendants are likely to receive a substantial sentence upon conviction. Defendant CARTER faces a maximum sentence of life imprisonment, a mandatory minimum of no less than 5 years imprisonment, to be served consecutively to any other term of imprisonment, 5 years supervised release, a \$1,750,000 fine and a \$400 special assessment.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANT

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE
VINCENT CARTER	Philadelphia	36

The case has been assigned to Special Assistant United States Attorney Arlene D. Fisk.

¹ An Indictment is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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